

Note for the record

Meeting of the Bureau of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Body to draft and negotiate a WHO convention, agreement or other international instrument on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response (INB) 1 December 2022

Participants

Bureau members

African Region – Ms Precious Matsoso (South Africa)
Region of the Americas – Ambassador Tovar da Silva Nunes (Brazil)
South-East Asia Region – Dr Viroj Tangcharoensathien (Thailand)
Eastern Mediterranean Region – Mr Ahmed Salama Soliman (Egypt)
Western Pacific Region – Mr Kazuho Taguchi (Japan)

Secretariat

Dr Jaouad Mahjour, Assistant Director General, Emergency Preparedness
Ms Anne Huvos, Unit Head, Pandemic Influenza Preparedness
Dr Olla Shideed, Executive Officer, Emergency Preparedness
Mr Steven Solomon, Principal Legal Officer
Mr Kenneth Piercy, Senior Legal Officer
Mrs Paidamoyo Takaenzana, External Relations Officer, Governance Unit
Ms Julia Keyworth, Technical Officer, Protocol Unit

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS

- 1. Update on the preparations for the third meeting of the INB (INB3) and on regional and informal discussions**
 - The Secretariat provided an update on the preparations for the upcoming INB3 meeting, advising that preparations were on course and meeting documentation had been made available on the WHO website. Bureau members agreed to meet again prior to the commencement of INB3 to discuss any final matters.
 - Bureau members also discussed the approach to progressing from the conceptual zero draft to the zero draft and agreed that the matter would be discussed with Member States. To support the work of the Bureau, the Secretariat agreed to provide additional supporting documents on the matter to Bureau members by 2 December 2022.
- 2. Secretariat information paper on certain legal and governance considerations**
 - The Secretariat provided an update on the information paper on certain legal and governance considerations, which had not yet been published as it was undergoing further revisions. The revised version of the paper would be published alongside the other meeting documentation on the WHO website.

3. Coordination of the INB Bureau with the Bureau of the Working Group on Amendments to the International Health Regulations (2005)

- Bureau members discussed coordination of the INB and Working Group Bureaus in advance of the joint meeting of the two. INB Bureau members noted the importance of the two Bureaus working collaboratively and coordinating effectively.

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